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WHERE BIBLE BELIEVERS ARE PROPAGATING THEIR FAITH IN THE WORD OF GOD AND IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

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## A Wise Investment

*"For the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."*

It seems to me that there is a lesson for us as Christians to learn from the good business men of the world. When an individual or several individuals cannot finance a worthwhile enterprise in which they are interested, they distribute the cost by means of a corporation or an underwriting syndicate. Without hesitation they let the public know of their interest in a venture and the extent of the obligations assumed, so that others will follow their example. All sacrifice present advantages in favor of the prospect for future benefits.

Hundreds of thousands of Christians sense the need for definitely Christian education. They feel a responsibility for providing a Godly education for their own children and for the children of others, if this nation is to be saved from moral decay and destruction. They are convinced that we have responsibilities beyond those to the local church and missionary enterprises, responsibilities, the meeting of which will strengthen the church and provide the missionaries. They see benefits for time and eternity and are willing to participate in proportion to their ability. Some of us have the responsibility of leadership, the responsibility of praying, the responsibility of setting the right example, the responsibility of enlisting others to join in making the sacrifices that manifest our serious concern and fulfill our responsibility to God for the youth of our generation.

For us to meet this responsibility it is possible to enlist a mighty army of Christians. It is possible, in God's

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## CSA CAR ORDERED

Friends who have been praying for and contributing toward the purchase of an automobile to be used in carrying forward the ministry of the Christian Service Association will rejoice to learn that more than \$800.00 has been received and that the order for the car has been placed.

## BRYAN GRADUATE TO CHINA

Miss Hazel Waller, of Lancaster, Pa., another of Bryan University's graduates, has stepped forth under the China Inland Mission to carry the Gospel to the lost in that great country. Miss Waller visited on the campus the first of the month and spoke to the student-body and staff. With her to China will go the sincere prayers of all her friends.

## Bigger Issues

### A Bigger Issue Than World Peace . . .

The very soul revolts against war. This revolt is intensified in those who, like the editor and his wife, have lost a loved one in the service. Every possible honorable effort for world peace should be made. Yet, that which is basic to world peace is a bigger issue than world peace. And attention to this bigger thing does not mean inattention to the other, for the reverse effect follows.

No doubt, human wisdom will laugh at the proposition we are now going to submit, but the truth thereof will remain after God has "made foolish the wisdom of this world." That proposition which is a bigger issue than world peace is the faithful, positive, compassionate preaching of the atoning cross because it is basic to the other in the present age. The sovereign King, in the exercise of His royal power, shall perfectly look after the peace in the coming age!

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### A Bigger Issue Than Labor Problems . . .

Labor problems may be settled in a human way, and, yet, employer or employee or both may remain selfish and create further trouble. This has been notoriously demonstrated. How to get men to be right, do right, and respect rights is a bigger issue than the settlement of labor problems because this either settles such problems or avoids the things which create them.

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## New Year's Eve

PROF. DELBERT K. WENIGER

This night is much like any night; yet, no man has quite the same thoughts this evening as come with the fall of darkness on other nights. There is no pause in the spin of the universe, no intermission in the chorus of life, no breathless silence among created things to note the passage of another year. The shadowy, resistless stream of time sweeps on without a break, but the pilgrim who has been traveling with it cannot be entirely unmindful that he is perceptibly nearer the end of his wanderings tonight.

How glorious, then, is the lot of a Christian this night, as compared with the unbeliever. The unbeliever's thoughts are stirred by all about him to things disturbing. Irrepressible memory of the year just past brings visions of human endeavor, fruitless in a world of pain, horror, scorn, hate, fear, indignation. As these bear down on him, the tempest outside the door of life seems to hurl away into emptiness his hopeful plans for the new year. The dying fire before him brings, without his bidding, thoughts of the coming end which he never mentions. When he can no longer continue in his thoughts, he rises to join the party. With others he takes refuge in revelry, quoting with a laugh the poet's advice:

*Ale, man, ale's the stuff to drink  
For fellows whom it hurts to think.*

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## COMING TO BRYAN NEXT YEAR?

Young people who look forward to the possibility of entering Bryan University next September had better get their applications in early, as many are already doing so, indicating that the demand for admission will once again far exceed the available dormitory space. A catalog and other interesting literature can be secured by addressing the Office of the Dean.



## God Above All

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## CHRISTIAN SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AT BRYAN UNIVERSITY

Alma Rader, Director of the Chris-  
tian Service Association

Someone has said that *opportunity* is a "pictorial word," that it suggests "a ship before the port, just sailing into harbor after the fight with wind and wave." Whatever the word may picture, whatever it may be, it is truly God given, for we read in Revelation 3:8: "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." But doors unentered do not remain open, and if God once shuts a door, we may knock in vain. It is a startling fact that unused opportunity never returns.

Those who, under God, laid the foundation of Bryan University were persuaded that higher Christian education and a vital Christian service are inseparable, and during the seventeen years of the University's existence every possible door open for Christian service has been entered by faculty and students alike.

Practical training in Christian service is afforded students under able and experienced leadership, so that they may be equipped to enter these wide open doors. Week after week students, under the leadership of a member of the staff, go into the schools of the community, where they have the entire student body for a thirty-minute Gospel service.

Homes are opened for child evangelism classes; a Miracle Book Club with an average attendance of seventy-five meets in the county high school; open air meetings are held in Dayton each Saturday afternoon; two weekly jail services are conducted; at Pikeville, Tennessee, services are held each week-end at the Boys Reform School.

In addition to these varied and far-reaching services, regular preaching stations are in operation in the mountain and valley communities around Dayton. Sunday School work, Bible classes, Gospel sings, and personal evangelism are all a part of the regular door-entering of the University personnel.

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## OAKLEY AND ZOPFI MAKE DEAN'S LIST OTHERS ON HONOR LIST

Highest academic honors each quarter—if the grades are sufficiently high, a grade of 2.45 being required—are symbolized by a place on the Dean's List, an honor won thus far this session by but two students, one of whom, Kermit Zopfi, has won it during each of the two half quarters completed. But first honors for the quarter go to Donald Oakley, freshman from Winona Lake, Indiana, with an average of 2.5. Second place went to Kermit Zopfi, freshman from Marshfield, Wisconsin, with a slightly lower average of 2.47. Both grades indicate a very high degree of academic efficiency under the new grading system.

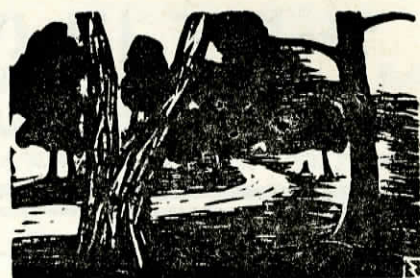
Other students on the Honor Roll for the quarter are those individuals whose quarterly average rank them in the upper ten percent of the entire student body. Names and averages are given below:

Carlson, Gordon, Elyria, O.....	2.34
Cone, George, Bellville, O.....	2.30
Konves, Norma, Mansfield, O.....	2.29
Kennard, Elaine, St. Augustine, Fla....	2.28
Costley, Ardelle, W. Milford, W. Va....	2.23
Capshaw, Roy, Grahn, Ky.....	2.21
Goehring, Harold, Evans City, Pa.....	2.21
Gow, Helen, Columbus, Ind.....	2.20
Monck, Florence, Philadelphia, Pa.....	2.20
Norczyk, Janet, Ontonagon, Michigan....	2.20
Westrom, George, Elbow Lake, Minn....	2.17
Hawthorne, Fae, Richmond, Va.....	2.16
Harer, Grace, Cosby, Tenn.....	2.16

## THAT GRADING SYSTEM!

Students and faculty, alike, are finding that the new grading system presents its own peculiar problems. Students who, last year, were averaging well up in the gay 90's now find themselves forced to submit to rather humble 2's and 1.5's. And teachers who were inclined to give those same 90's find that under the grade definitions now in use, the equivalent grade under the new system seems "a bit high." And so it goes, with two definite conclusions: 1, the academic standard of the University is considerably higher than it has been in several years; and, 2, the academic committee is in for a long and arduous study of grades and systems in preparation for the publication of a new catalog in the spring. It is not at all likely that further change will be made in the system, but minor adjustments will probably be in order.

"I do not believe any man ever yet genuinely, humbly, thoroughly, gave himself to Christ without some other finding Christ through him."—P. Brooks.



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For employers and employees to work together as brothers, they must have it in their hearts. God's truth and power are required to put such in human hearts. Therefore, the proclamation and application of the Word of God, plus instruction in duty on this basis, is one of the supreme issues of the day.

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## A Bigger Issue Than Race Relations . . .

Radicals stir up racial strife. They are not interested in the Christian settlement of racial tensions. If they were, they would not try to force the will of a minority in mere social distinctions upon the majority, even at the expense of serious trouble, but would resort instead to education, conference, and peaceful penetration.

Proclaiming the solid teachings of the Word of God and instructing men in duty on that basis are a bigger issue than the settlement of racial problems because they are basic to that settlement and lead to it.—Tennessee Baptist and Reflector.

## BRYANITES TO HOLD MEETING IN EAST

On Saturday, January 18, Bryanites of Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York City will have a good, old-fashioned get-together at Cranford, N. J. Bryan graduates and former students and staff members will descend on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Morgan, Sr., 24 Doering Way, at twelve noon for a half-day of fun and fellowship.

Those near at hand will be asked for a bit of something for the dinner. If you can come, write Beatrice Morgan at the above address for your assignment.

You can reach Cranford in your car or by B. & O., Reading, or Central of N. J. Railroads. If you come by Pennsylvania Railway, change at Newark or Elizabeth—or from Elizabeth call Cranford 6-0265 and someone will meet you.

If you can come, sit down right now and drop a line to Beatrice. Let us make this a grand get-together of Bryan Hill folks! Coming?

Bryan University



# THE TRUMPET CALL

for BIBLE BELIEVERS  
to SHOW THEIR COLORS

by BUILDING BRYAN UNIVERSITY  
SUPPORTING CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION



**WE NEED REGULAR CONTRIBUTORS!!!**

## I. GIDEON'S BAND — \$10.00 or More Each Month

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Judson A. Rudd         | 5. Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Smith |
| 2. A Friend               | 6. Ann Wildern               |
| 3. Calvary Baptist Church | 7. Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd E. Fish  |
| 4. Helen Walcott          | 8. D. W. Ryther              |

## II. HOME FRONT ARMY — \$1.00 or More Each Month

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Mr. & Mrs. Edward D. Miller | 9. Rev. & Mrs. R. F. McNay      |
| 2. Paul D. Stock               | 10. Mr. & Mrs. Robert St. John  |
| 3. A Friend                    | 11. Ruth Kuhn                   |
| 4. Janet Webb                  | 12. Lois Gow                    |
| 5. W. R. Holden                | 13. Charles G. Dean             |
| 6. Ila Ruth Mahr               | 14. Mrs. Louise Garber          |
| 7. Mrs. C. E. Gow              | 15. Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Hostettler |
| 8. Margaret Ann McKinnon       |                                 |

William Jennings Bryan heard the Call. He kept the Faith! What about you? Will you let the world know that you and others believe the Bible to be the Word of God?

**"For the Scripture saith, 'Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.'—Romans 10:11.**

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strength, to do great and mighty things for God. **"HAVE FAITH IN GOD."** There is opportunity to multiply the blessings of God at Bryan University until they benefit hundreds and thousands of young people.

**THIS IS A CALL FOR YOU TO DO WHAT YOU CAN DO!** Assume responsibility for a DEFINITE, even though it may need to be small, amount REGULARLY. Set an example by signing up as a regular contributor. Join others in prayer. Enlist others in giving. Tell them of the outstanding results being accomplished in the lives of Bryan students. They are our dividends for time and eternity. You can share them with us.

President Rudd.

## STAY-AT-HOMERS HAVE TRIP

Through the kindness of a friend of the University, who sent a check to be used to give those unable to go home a little nicer Christmas, sixteen of the group recently visited Chickamauga Dam for an afternoon, then drove on down to Chattanooga to see the Christmas decorations and visit Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, topping the trip off with a delicious supper before starting back for Dayton. By unanimous vote, that portion of the gift not so used was deposited to the building fund.

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The wise and careful distribution of tracts and gospel portions is another open door, and one which God has signally honored through the years. This vital part of spreading the Gospel is emphasized at Bryan also.

The writer recently visited a service held by two of our married students in a chapel which had long been forsaken, and at this Christmas service were a number of young children who had never before seen a Christmas tree nor heard a carol sung. What an opportunity to bring Christ to them!

Statistical records for November are nearly twice as impressive as were those of a year ago—but even such a record cannot show the whole story, spiritually speaking.

Total attendance for all scheduled meetings was 6,370. 1,253 tracts and Gospel portions were distributed. 90 professions of faith in Christ, and Him only, were received. To our Lord be the glory.

We do thank God for the open doors and for the challenge which they present, praying always that we may be faithful in season and out of season in giving forth the Word of Life.

*We have ventured our all upon Christ,  
And have proved Him sufficient for all.*

## LETTERS . . .

The NEWSETTE just received and I note the cash is not coming in so fast. Keep up your chin. You cannot lose, Brother. *Your cause is right for it is His cause.*—L. C. J.

I am enclosing my check for— and pray God's blessing on this wonderful school for young people. How we need them for our youth today!

I was very much interested in your recent letter, telling about the new building, and am praying that the Lord will provide the necessary funds for this work.

May our blessed Lord continue to bless you and all your staff for His glory.—Mrs. T. M.

## CHRISTMAS BANQUET SOCIAL HIGHLIGHT

Social highlight of the Christmas season proved to be the annual banquet served in the University dining hall, which had been beautifully decorated with trees, lights, holly, candles, and table-top versions of the manger scene of our Lord's birth.

An attractive, inspiring program was rendered by a number of the students and members of the staff, Christmas readings being given by Jacquelyn Howell, Ila Ruth Mahr, and Jack Lacey. Special music was provided by Mrs. Williamson and Carol Williamson on the solo-vox and vibra-harp, by Eldon Hoyt and Donald Oakley on trombones, and by Prof. Stock on the violin. Vocal numbers were sung by Mrs. Robert Collett and by a sextette composed of Lee Moreland, Virginia Oakley, Suzanne Miller, Melva Beecher, Ian Hay, and Francis Brill.

Introducing the various parts of the program, Lois Weyhe read portions of the Word of God, telling of the birth of the Christ. The evening message was brought by Rev. E. L. Williams, pastor of the Woodland Park Baptist Church of Chattanooga.

## FREDERIC PLEASES

The second of a series of four artist's concerts to be held on Bryan Hill was given on the evening of January 7th, when the well-known concert pianist, Jerold Frederic, presented a program that convinced his listeners of his unusual ability, not only in reproducing the scores of the masters, but in giving to his listeners something of the very heart of the music. His is an understanding and an interpretative art worthy of a master.

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## RUDDS IN KANSAS FOR CHRISTMAS

President and Mrs. Rudd and Mary Frances spent Christmas day with Mrs. Rudd's family, the Searcy's, in Olathe, Kansas, where both Mr. and Mrs. Searcy are recovering from a recent automobile accident. President Rudd later journeyed on to Alamosa, Colorado, to spend a few days with his own folks and to visit friends of the University in Denver.



## VETSVILLE WELCOMES NANCY ANN

Vetsville, trailer village for Bryan's married veterans, hung out the welcome sign on December twenty-eighth for baby Nancy Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Birch. Newslette offers hearty congratulations to parents and an equally hearty welcome to Nancy Ann.

## FORMER TEACHER PUBLISHES BOOK

Miss Babette Kaltenbach, a former teacher on the University faculty, has recently published *OTHER SHEEP*, a new flannelgraph missionary series of true stories taken from various mission fields. Six stories and figures in color on blotograph, ready to cut out and use, make up the book.

The first story in the book concerns the work of a graduate of the University, Miss Mildred Kuntz, now ministering to the Navajos in Lupton, Arizona. All stories can be used in flannelgraph lessons or as a missionary story-cutout book for children.

Copies can be had by sending \$1.00 and 4c in stamps for mailing to P. O. Box 33, Station C, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

## ATTENTION FORMER STUDENTS

**Do you have a copy of Bullfinch's MYTHOLOGY—the text used in Sophomore English? We urgently need twenty-five copies and will be glad to have yours—at a fair price. Mail it today. Thanks.**

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The one becomes known as the life of the party who by most extreme frivolity can most nearly make the rest forget the actual death of the parties. During all of the gaiety, none must finish the poet's verse:

*And faith, 'tis pleasant 'till 'tis past.  
The mischief is that 'twill not last.*

And so he is whirled giddily through the eddies of life and on into another year.

Not so the Christian. As the bells bring him the thought of the distance time has borne him during the months, he feels with a blessed joy that they must soon become the bells of heaven, welcoming him to his long-awaited home. He rejoices in the peal of the wild chimes, for he can say with the ancient Divine:

*The year is gone; the millennial  
year rushes on to our view—and  
eternity's end.*

The result of these happy thoughts within the Christian is an evening spent in peaceful reverie, contemplation, and prayer. There is remembrance of God's blessings throughout the past year, anticipation of a joyous year of walking with God, and earnest prayer that, by the grace of God, "His adorable will we may gladly fulfil and never stand still till the Master appear." The tempest is raging, too, outside the door of his life, but it is raging on God's deep, not on the Christian's. He faces a new year, hand in hand with his Lord, and he steps forward, not into darkness, but into light.

## Sam's Summary

Dear Folks:

Boy, just look where I am this time with that building fund column! Guess I don't need to tell you I've had a merry Christmas, do I? Course, the general fund fell a little short, but we'll make that up next month, if you folks will just get under me and keep pushing me up.

As for 1947, well, here's wishing you the best ever—filled with happiness and blessing.

Sam

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## BRYANITES GATHER IN ELYRIA

During the Christmas holidays it was the pleasure of quite a large number of present and former students and staff members to gather at the Y. W. C. A. in Elyria, Ohio, for a reunion. From all reports thus far received, the fellowship and good time were typical of the "old days" on Bryan Hill.

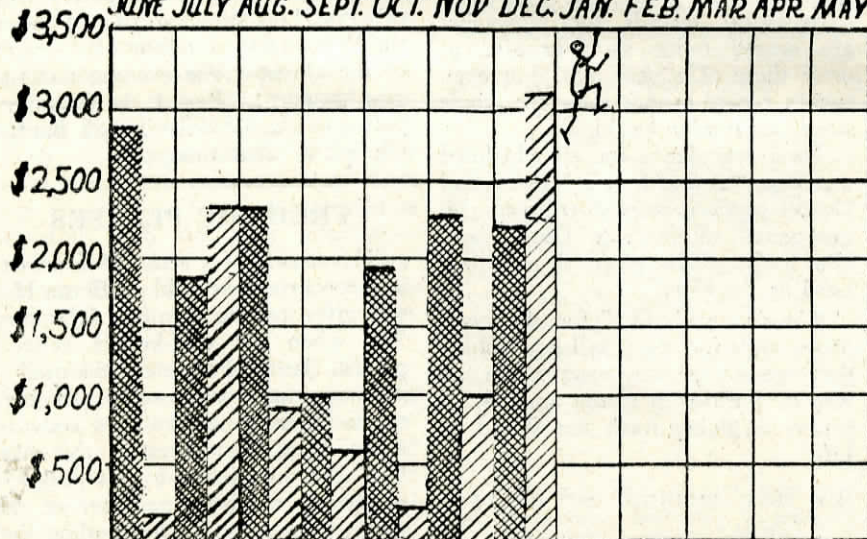
## WILLIAMSONS HOLD MEETINGS IN IOWA

During the Christmas vacation Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, members of the University staff, and their daughter Carol, a student, held services in the Baptist Church of Russell, Iowa. They report a gracious time of blessing and a spiritual depth to the response which manifested His presence in the services.

## PLANT AND PROPERTY FUND

Balance (December 1st)	\$10,048.15
Building Fund Receipts:	
Rec. No. 198-255	3,080.12
5% Gift Income	111.97
	\$13,240.24
Less expenditures	306.35
Balance (December 31st)	\$12,933.89

JUNE JULY AUG. SEPT. OCT. NOV DEC. JAN. FEB. MAR. APR. MAY



GENERAL FUND GIFTS  
December .....\$2,239.30

BUILDING FUND GIFTS  
December .....\$3,080.12